MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a work session on Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson. The purpose of the work session was to discuss the following:

Road Department Equipment
Building repairs and maintenance
Budget
Ordinance amendments
Economic Development projects with members of the Development Authority
Review the proposed agenda for September 13, 2021

County Works Director Milton Fountain informed the Board that the Forestry Unit building, and the processing center building has mold. The Board discussed options for removing the mold.

The motor grader that was just repaired now has a pump that needs to be repaired or replaced. The Board discussed options on the grader.

Mr. Fountain reported the harness for the dump truck has not arrived and two road department employees resigned today.

The Board discussed sending a letter to the Department of Transportation and adopting a resolution to improve the safety of the intersection of state highways 130 and 135. Several accidents have occurred at this intersection.

The Board discussed establishing a pay structure for county employees.

The Board reviewed and amended the alcohol beverage ordinance.

The Board reviewed the September 13, 2021 agenda.

The work session ended at 7:55 pm.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, September 13, 2021 at 5:30 pm at the Adult Literacy Building. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order.

The invocation was led by Clarence Thomas, followed by the pledge to the flag.

The agenda was approved on a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously.

The minutes from the August 5, 2021 work session were approved on a motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes from the August 8, 2021 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Williamson. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes from the August 17, 2021 special called meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes from the August 23, 2021 and August 30, 2021 public outreach meetings were approve on a motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes from the August 27, 2021 special called meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously.

Under Reports, County Manager Brandon Braddy reported for Recreation Director Kendall Bennamon that 100 kids registered for football, soccer, and cheer.

EMA Director Donnie Daniels reported there were only seven emergency calls reported in Montgomery County in August because of the E-911 system being down for new equipment to be installed. The new siren warning system will run a test on the first Wednesday in each month.

County Works Director Milton Fountain informed the Board the Caterpillar Motor Grader will be swapped out tomorrow and MMI Construction began removing the courthouse walkway pavers today.

The Board reviewed the August financial reports.

Under New Business, the Board agreed to refund Bobby and Melinda Gibbs \$1351.67 in property taxes on a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously. The Tax Assessors office agreed to the refund.

On a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Morris the Board selected SP Design Group as the architect for the renovation of the Sheriff's Office and the new EMS Station and to authorize the Chairman to execute the contract for architectural services. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Williamson the Board approved a Local Government Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement Program Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Morris the Board declared 9 acres of timber located at 208 Earth Saver Drive as surplus property. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Williamson the Board authorized a Notice of Timber Sale and Invitation to Bid for timber located at 208 Earth Saver Drive. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Thomas the Board approved the first reading of the Speed Ordinance amendment and authorized advertisement of the amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Morris the Board approved a letter to the Georgia Department of Transportation's District Five Traffic Operations Office to request authorization to use speed detection devices on various county roads identified in the letter. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Thomas the Board adopted a resolution (Res. No 21-09-01) to request additional safety measures at the intersection of State Routes 130 and 135 from the Georgia Department of Transportation. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Kenney the Board adopted a resolution (Res. No. 21-09-02) to authorize a USDA Rural Development load to construct a new Emergency Medical Services building and receive the USDA's Letter of Condition regarding the loan. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board held a conference call with Kathy Ross from the USDA Rural Development area office to review the USDA loan for constructing a new EMS building.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm on a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Morris. Motion carried unanimously.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL CALLED MEETING SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a special called meeting on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 9:30 am. The purpose of the meeting was to adopt a resolution to set the school board millage rate.

Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, and Clarence Thomas.

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order.

On a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Thomas the Board agreed to adopt the school property tax levy resolution (Res. No. 21-09-03) setting the school mileage rate at 15 mills. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Chairman Adams declared the meeting adjourned at 9:31 am.